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MEMORANDUM FOR CIA MEMBER USIB

SUBJECT: Report on Re-orientation of the Mis Program

(Riem 5, USIB Agenda for 26 February)

In the August statement of MS concepts USIB also directed the MS Committee to report within six months on progress in re-orienting the inter-agency MS Program. The submitted 31 January report makes clear the rapid and extensive re-orientation and streamlining of the Program in consonance with USIS views. The cruz of this is the increasing production of the one-volume Coneral Survey as the primary MS coverage as each foreign area, with concurrent selective cuiback in the former more detailed MS topical units. This means that with no increase in level of effort, more timely MS coverage is being produced annually on a considerably larger number of foreign areas. The results being accomplished are directly due to the leadership and management which is August we argued we should retain rather than chare with DIA as proposed. The report does not recommend any problems for UNIB action. I see no reason for USIB discussion of the report, and I recommend that USIE approve the report and the constructive results being accomplished by the MS Committee.

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